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## DEVELOP NEW METAL PRODUCTS

FIND COPPER SUBSTITUTE -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhaudel, 24 Jan 51

The IFA Copper Gasket Works in Annaberg has been experimenting with Europil as a substitute for copper.

Cylinder-head gaskets which are as good as, if not superior to, copperasbestos gaskets have been produced form Europil. Every effort is being made to limit the use of copper to the manufacture of locomotive gaskets, for which no satisfactory substitute material 'has been devised up to now.

PRODUCE NEW-TYPE INFLATION VALVES -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 9 Dec 50

The Alwin-Lingott machine shops in Berlin-Heinersdorf (under trusteeship) will start production of new-type bicycle valves in 1951. These valves will be made without rubber, and a minimal amount of nonferrous metals will be required for their production. Orders have been received from the People's Democracies, from Western and Northern Europe, and from overseas countries.

MAKE HIGH-SPEED TYPEWRITERS -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 17 Feb 51

The people-owned Mercedes Office Machine Works in Zella-Mehlis, Thueringen manufactures Elektra high-speed electric typewriters. The machines can be equipped with a 30-centimeter carriage and will turn out up to 20 legible copies.

DEVELOP LAPPING MACHINE -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 28 Feb 51

A small, fully automatic lapping machine has been developed by the peopleowned Optik-Feinpruef (Dotics and Precision Instruments) Plant in Schmalkalden.

The machine is to replace the conventional turner's lat. e in the production of tap drills.

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MANUFACTURE FUEL-INJECTION NOZZLES -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 24 Jan 51

The people-owned Precision Mechanics Plant in Liebstadt, Kreis Pirna, has begun production of fuel-injection nozzles for diesel vehicles. The first new nozzles will be delivered to the IFA Vehicle Construction Combine in Chemnitz, which will absorb the plant's entire output.

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